

teacher and one of eight siblings who would ultimately finish college. He is a 1935 graduate of Lincoln University, and was ordained for Episcopal Church ministry in 1938 upon graduation from General Theological Seminary. He went on to earn a Master of Sacred Theology from Philadelphia Divinity School, doctorates in divinity and theology, and two honorary doctorates.

Throughout his life, Reverend Canon Logan has been a fighter for civil rights, an NAACP activist, a friend and advocate of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a demonstrator and a trainer in the tactics of non-violence. In addition to his stint at Calvary, Reverend Canon Logan has served the Episcopal Church in numerous leadership and missionary roles. He has been a veritable "Mister Fixit" in Philadelphia as interim priest at five parishes, chaplain for the Philadelphia Presbyterian Hospital and Philadelphia Police Department.

Reverend Canon Logan's contributions to his hometown go beyond the life of the church. He is a past president of the Philadelphia Tribune Charities and Ratters' Charities and one of the founders of the Afro-American Museum.

He is a life member—and an active member—of Alpha Phi Alpha, the oldest intercollegiate fraternity founded by African-American men, which he pledged in 1933 at Alpha Omicron Chapter as a student at Johnson C. Smith University. Just last summer, the good Canon attended Alpha's 105th anniversary convention in Chicago, accompanied by his wife Hermione, who had reached the century mark a few months ahead of her husband. It goes without saying that Reverend Logan is Alpha's oldest living member.

Even today, as he approaches the century milestone, this remarkable man of God carries the title of associate priest at the African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas, 6361 Lancaster Avenue in Philadelphia, the nation's first to be established by and for black Episcopalians. St. Thomas, under the leadership of the Reverend Dr. Martini Shaw, traces its founding to 1792 and its first pastor, the pioneering Reverend Absalom Jones. It is fitting that St. Thomas will be the venue for Reverend Canon Logan's 100th Birthday Celebration Mass on March 18, 2012—his 99th year, 364th day upon this earth.

I invite my colleagues to join me in honoring this remarkable man, extending best wishes, good health and good times to the Reverend Canon Thomas Wilson Stearly Logan, Sr.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, March 16, 2012*

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, on March 8, 2012, I missed rollcall votes Number 109 and 110. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall vote 5, on the Motion to Re-commit to increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies and "yea" on rollcall vote 110, to

increase American job creation and economic growth by improving access to the public capital markets for emerging growth companies.

#### TRIBUTE TO RANDALL T. SHEPARD

#### HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, March 16, 2012*

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor an incredible seventh generation Hoosier, Randall T. Shepard, upon his retirement as Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court.

Chief Justice Shepard's leadership skills were tested and noticed early in his life when he received his Eagle Scout designation. He received his under-graduate degree from Princeton University in 1969; his Law degree from Yale Law School in 1972; and his Masters of Law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1995. He served as Vanderburgh County Superior Court Judge from 1980–1985. He was appointed by Governor Robert D. Orr as the 99th Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court on September 6, 1985. In March of 1987 Justice Shepard became the youngest State Chief Justice and has served in that capacity since, making him the longest serving Chief Justice in the country.

His love for the Judiciary, coupled with his incredible intellect and quiet thoughtful demeanor, Justice Shepard has forever left his stamp on the Indiana Supreme Court. "C–J", as he is affectionately called on the third floor of the Indiana Statehouse, has opened those imposing doors to television cameras and webcasts during arguments. He also directed changes that led to fewer criminal appeals and more civil cases being heard by the Supreme Court. He stated he is most proud that during his years on the bench Indiana has better court-related programs for children and domestic violence victims; increased professional development for judges; and a wider range of sentencing options.

Indiana has not been able to keep Justice Shepard solely to itself. He is recognized as a national authority on judicial ethics and legal professionalism. In 2006, U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice and fellow Hoosier, John Roberts, appointed him to the U.S. Judicial Conference Advisory Committee of Civil Rules. In 2009, Justice Shepard was the recipient of the national Dwight D. Opperman Award for Judicial Excellence. As a Justice, Mr. Shepard has authored more than 850 majority opinions and has published more than 40 Law Review articles.

All Hoosiers must now, reluctantly, give "C–J" back to his wife, Amy McDonnell, and their daughter, Martha. We do so knowing that the state of the Judiciary in Indiana has been led by the best of the best these last twenty-five years. We wish him relaxing days with more time to spend on his love of historic preservation and God's richest blessings in his retirement. He will be greatly missed.

CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GIRL SCOUTS

#### HON. SHELLEY BERKLEY

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, March 16, 2012*

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, today I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing the achievements of Girl Scouts on the occasion of their 100th Anniversary.

On March 12, 1912, Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low assembled 18 girls from Savannah, Georgia, for a local Girl Scout meeting. She believed that all girls should have the opportunity to develop physically, mentally and spiritually.

The first Girl Scout troop in Southern Nevada was formed on April 14, 1932, in Boulder City, with just 22 girls. Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada received their charter from Girl Scouts of the USA in 1943.

In 1950, the Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada held their first cookie sale. The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the largest girl-led business in the country and generates immeasurable benefits for the Scouts, their councils and communities nationwide. Girl Scouts set cookie goals to support their chosen activities for the year, to fund community service and leadership projects, to attend summer camp, to travel to destinations near and far and to provide events for girls in their community.

By 1954, the Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada opened Camp Foxtail in Lee Canyon, Toiyabe National Forest. Three years later they moved their headquarters to Las Vegas and by 1961, the Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada dedicated a Service Center.

In the 1980s, the Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada opened the first Drop-In Center. In these centers Girl Scouts get the opportunity to experience hands-on robotics teams, science camps, and career exploration days. Girl Scouts view the world of technology through a lens that inspires them to tackle tomorrow's technological opportunities and challenges.

For 100 years, Girl Scouts have helped girls discover the fun, friendship, and power of girls together. Today, there are 3.2 million Girl Scouts with 2.3 million girl members and 880,000 adult members working primarily as volunteers to help girls grow courageous and strong.

Through participation in Girl Scout programs, girls ultimately will begin to discover their full leadership potential with increased self-confidence, creative decision-making skills, and teamwork. Their organization provides an accepting and nurturing environment for girls to build character and life skills for success in the real world.

Girl Scouts provide safe, stimulating academic and developmental programs designed specifically for girls. Their programs are building blocks to offer age appropriate development skills from 5 to 17 years old. The Girl Scouts model is designed to encourage girls to discover their values, skills and explore the world around them. They connect with others in a multicultural environment and take action to make a difference in the world.